

C L A I M A M E N D M E N T S

~~Please AMEND the claims as follows~~

27. (ORIGINALLY FILED) A method of processing a payment for a sale of goods, comprising the steps of:

receiving, by a processor from a remote seller, data relating to an order for goods;
receiving, by said processor from a local seller, data indicating a payment has been received at a point-of-sale system for said order for goods; and

transmitting, from said processor to said remote seller, data indicating that said payment has been received by said local seller whereby to initiate the delivery of said goods by said remote seller.

28. (ORIGINALLY FILED) A method in accordance with claim 27 wherein

said data relating to an order for goods includes at least one of a code and a purchase price, and further including the step of

transmitting for use, from said processor to said local seller, at least one of said code and said purchase price.

29. (ORIGINALLY FILED) A method in accordance with claim 27 wherein said local seller comprises a third party having a contractual relationship with said remote seller.

68. (NEW) A method comprising:

receiving, from a first seller, data relating to an order;

receiving, from a second seller, data indicating that a payment in full has been received at a point-of-sale system for the order;

transmitting, to the first seller, data indicating that the payment has been received by the second seller; and

transferring a second payment from an account of the second seller to an account of the first seller.

69. (NEW) The method of claim 68, in which the step of:

receiving, from the second seller, data indicating that the payment in full has been received at the point-of-sale system for the order comprises:

receiving data that indicates a payment amount and an order number.

70. (NEW) The method of claim 69, further comprising:

determining a required price for the order.

71. (NEW) The method of claim 70, further comprising:

determining whether the payment amount is sufficient for the required price for the order.

72. (NEW) A method comprising:

a step for scanning a barcode;

a step for determining that the barcode relates to an order from a different seller;

a step for ascertaining a price for the order;

a step for confirming receipt of payment in full for the order; and

a step for paying over at least a portion of the payment in full.

73. (NEW) The method of claim 72, further comprising:

a step for determining an identify of the remote seller.

74. (NEW) The method of claim 72, further comprising:

a step for receiving payment in full for the order.
